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To Nashville.

Everything indicates that the trip to Nashville will be a pleasant one, and the delegation and visitors from Mississippi will make the largest party that has ever attended the Southern Baptist Convention.

If all who are going will send their names, at once, today, to W. P. Price, Jackson, Miss., ample arrangements will be made for the comfort of the party while enroute. If so many as fifteen berths are taken a special sleeper will go with us all the way, in addition to the special coach. A minimum of thirty five will be required to get an extra coach in addition to the sleeper, or a minimum of fifteen berths (\$3.00 a berth, whether occupied by one or more) must be taken to secure a sleeper in addition to the coach. There are great conveniences, and if you are going send your name at once.

The fare from Jackson is.....\$ 12.75
From Vicksburg (via Jackson)..... 14.05
From Hattiesburg (via Jackson)... 13.65
From Gulfport (via Jackson)..... 15.95
From Winona..... 10.15

and other points at similar rates.

Any agent, of any road, upon request, will sell a ticket that will enable you to join our party via the Illinois Central, if the request is made in time. Ask the local agents about tickets two or three days in advance, and you will have no trouble about the special rate ticket from any point. Everybody must look out for himself as to hotel accommodations in Nashville.

Steady, Pastors!

How these closing days do tell in the round up of our work. We are on the home stretch now and the \$8,000 is almost in sight. A hard pull and a steady pull and the summit of the hill will be reached. A word from Sec. Rowe encourages us to believe that we can in these two Sundays before us raise \$8,000 which will be necessary in order to do what we promised. We raised this much last year in the same time. We can do it again. It makes us nervous to have so much of the ground to cover at the very last but it is our way and as we have done it before we can do it again. Let every pastor who reads these lines see that his church or churches have an opportunity before the month closes, if such opportunity has not already been given. If, for any reason, you should fail to get before your congregation appoint yourself or some one else to canvass the membership. Do this for the absentees any way. Emulate the example of Bro. Rowe's preacher, who went

to his church once a month and was rained out, but nothing daunted, he got him a horse and personally raised more than the church had ever given before for missions. But every church is not a Bethel and every pastor is not a John P. Hickman. We must get "some of our people to give more and more to give some." It is glorious to see our churches coming up to the help of the Lord in this great work of world-wide evangelization which seems to be God's order of the day for our generation. The number of churches supporting a missionary is increasing. And then it does my heart good to see so many of our country churches doing so nobly. If yours has not responded as it ought, ask God to help you put before them a real picture of a lost world and over against that the vision of the risen, reigning Lord issuing his commission to his blood bought ones to give to these the bread of life. If your own heart is not in it as it ought to be, stand under the cross and look into the face of the dying Son of God who died that these might live as well as you.

Bro. Pastor, you can pray and preach and lead your people up to some measure of their duty unless God's Holy Spirit has forsaken you and them. Is their failure yours?

W. F. YARBOROUGH.

Southern Baptist Convention Delegates.

I hope brethren who are going to the Nashville Convention will send me their names as early as possible that the list of delegates may be completed.

April 9 closed with a hopeful outlook for Foreign Missions, as the amount to the credit of this fund is \$10,000. While we are still ahead of same date last year in Home Missions we have only about \$4,000 in this fund.

The work is going bravely on, and there is every encouragement to the Lord's people who work together for the "coming kingdom."

A. V. ROWE.

Collins.

I was very busy yesterday—the Lord's Day. Married a couple at 9 a. m., attended Sunday School at 10 a. m., preached at 11 a. m., preached again at Ora at 3 p. m., assisted in the organization of a church at 4 p. m. at Ora, returned to Collins and preached at 7:30 p. m. and rounded up our Collins collection for missions—home and foreign, \$80. A good day's work?

So mote it be.

T. D. BUSH.

April 11th, 1904.

Southern Baptist Convention.

This body meets in its 49th session at Nashville on Friday, May 13th, 1904, and will therefore embrace the 3rd Sunday in May instead of the 2nd, as usual.

The Baptist Young People's Union and the American Baptist Education Society will meet Thursday May 12th, in the First Baptist Church.

The Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, will meet on Thursday, May 12th, in the McKendree M. E. Church. Railroad rates: One first-class fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip.

From Jackson and return \$12.75.

Vicksburg.

Since our letter of March 28th, five more have been added to Calvary Church. This makes twenty-eight in all. Our meeting begins today with Bro. W. J. Bolin assisting the pastor. May we not ask the prayers of all our brethren?

With Christian love,

WM. J. MAHONEY.

April 11th, 1904.

Wanted.

The Statistical Secretary will be grateful to any who will send one copy minutes of each of the following associations: Bethel, Calhoun, Carey, Ebenezer, Hoblochitto, Liberty, Magee's Creek, Oktibbeha, Pearl Valley, Red Creek, Salem, Tallahala, Trinity and West Judson. I have failed as yet, to receive them. I understand Bethlehem is dissolved and Judson, on account of sickness of clerk, has not been published.

Truly,

S. G. COOPER,
Statistical Secretary.

Canton, Miss.

Baptist Ministers' Conference Meets.

The Baptist Ministers' Conference for Southeast Mississippi meets with the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, next Monday, April 18. All ministerial brethren are especially invited to attend. We will entertain you brethren. The meeting is for Monday and Tuesday. I would be glad to have your names beforehand, but whether you send your names or not, come to the conference. The meeting is for the benefit of the ministers in these parts and they are expected to come.

I. P. TROTTER.

Hattiesburg, Miss., April 11, 1904.

The Yazoo City Baptist Church goes on record as giving \$117.50 for Foreign Missions.

Signs of Promise.

I have been much impressed lately by two letters from pastors, each of whom had been pretty well rained out that rainy Sunday. Congregations were small so they said—but what a difference in the work. One got him a horse and put in two days' hard work among the people, taking his collection as he saw the people and as a consequence the largest foreign mission collection that church has made. That is one way to do it after a rainy Sunday, the other is to say, well it rained and our congregation was poor and the collection poorer, and no more said or done about it. Of which will Jesus say, "well done?"

Over at Greenville they have been disturbing the baptismal waters of late, about which I hope we shall hear in due time the details, but they have not been altogether absorbed in home affairs, as witness these figures in missions, \$88 60, church building \$100. Beautiful for situation is Moss Point where for several years our church has been in the advancing columns of the church militant, and while it is close working to make both ends meet in home expenses, yet as is the case always when the ends of the earth burden us, they are happy in what they do both at home and serve God more joyously in what they do for the nations, as this check for \$33 96 testifies.

Here are six country churches widely separated from each other as to distance, whose contributions five years ago did not reach, all told, \$30, but these figures have been advanced year after year until they now register \$125.

Did you ever think how the widows of the Scriptures have their duplicates in these times of missionary effort? With hearts of love ready for a sacrifice in His name they persistently seize the opportunities to honor with their money as they did then. There be several of these in Mississippi, and every year I hear from them as individuals who have not been able to join the church in its contribution. And so they will not be overlooked here, and I dare say will not be overlooked up there.

What hath God wrought in Yazoo City? Oh, how dreary the prospect then. The only thing that brightened it was the promise of God. It would have taken a prophet's eye to see in ten years the things that have come to pass in our church there. It might be well to have the past preserved with a picture of the old church, and one of the new side by side, and even then we would have to know some things that cannot be photographed before we could begin to realize the difference, but one of these things year after year is before us in the contributions for missions, and this year's foreign mission contribution taken so short a time since they paid off their debt only emphasizes what the people of God who have a mind to work can do when they do take hold in His name. I take off my hat to Yazoo City, I bow my heart in gratitude to the good God for His marvelous mercy in leading out of the dreary past into the large room

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that now opens invitingly to pastor and people.

West Point answers to roll call emphasizing missions in no uncertain manner to the joy of this good church and pastor, and while the present figures show \$284-50, this is not all by a good deal that yet remains when it is all in, as I am assured.

A. V. ROWE.

Two Lives.

Some fifty years ago, two young men—just grown—"started out in life" in West Tennessee. One of them went into Memphis and became a money maker, then went on to New York and accumulated a fortune of \$10,000,000. This was Fred Cossitt who gave the money (\$175,000, I believe) to build and equip the splendid Cossitt Library in Memphis. He was doubtless a good man and I hope he is safe with the "innumerable company" in the "land that is fairer than day."

The other—his cousin—found something better in the world than money getting—though that properly done is all right. He spent forty-three years preaching the unsearchable riches of the gospel of Christ to the poor. He was not an educated man as the world calls educated, but he was a man of splendid common sense, great wisdom, and deep piety and consecration, and deeply read in the oracles of God. He served country churches most acceptably, held many great revivals, and as some one said, had baptized some body in almost every creek and pond in this section of North Mississippi. Through his ministry not only hundreds, but I suppose thousands were led to Christ.

Last week I sat by his dying bed. He spoke of how he had preached the gospel in years long passed with Lewis Ball, A. G. Parrott, M. P. Lowrey, and others, how they had gone on years ahead of him, and how often he had looked forward and longed to be with them on the other side. When reminded that he was coming to the supreme test of the gospel he had been offering as a hope to other sinners for all these years, he said: "It is all right. There is not a shadow." This was Brother L. P. Cossitt, the veteran Baptist preacher of old Tippah Association. And when his cold hands were folded lifeless on his breast, I couldn't suppress the thought, which came to me over and over, "I would rather have his wealth tonight than that of his cousin Fred."

B. G. LOWREY.

The Y. M. C. A.

In the year 1844, a young layman of London, England, conceived the idea of uniting Christian young men in an organization for development. This was the beginning of the Young Men's Christian's Association movement; now extending throughout the world. It was undenominational, and has so continued; nothing of a sectarian character having ever been allowed to mar its prosperity.

The object of the association was "the mental, moral and religious culture of

young men. Something of the kind was needed, especially in the cities, to go forth and bring the stranger under good influences, and direct those that were church members to their various denominational affiliations. Only a general organization could do this work effectually, and none of the churches had suitable places for the entertainment of young people at all times.

New Orleans was the first city in the South to form an association; which was organized in November 1852. Only one Baptist young man could be found to represent our denomination as vice president. Later, as others came to light, their co-operation was secured, and ever since Baptists have been among the leaders. In this they have never had to compromise their principle, nor yield even a shadow of their faith.

For awhile some of our people seemed to be afraid of these associations—a great mistake. It was a matter of co-operation only, not of union. The young men in our churches were not being developed into active, working Christians. Indeed the churches themselves were drifting into the plan of simply upholding public services and paying a little money for missions, with support to some extent of pulpit ministrations.

Further the pastoral office was being subjected to entertaining sermons, and so-called evangelism, to the neglect of the plain Word of God, and the "go" of the gospel. Therefore, the Lord raised up laymen to "teach all nations," and wake up the churches to a sense of their duty. And right here it is in order to say that the Young Men's Christian Associations are giving an object lesson to both pastors and people.

Baptists too often fail to "let their lights shine before men," enjoined, when they might do so by co-operating with others as far as possible. We are judged to be afraid or ashamed of our doctrines. It looks like cowardice. Surely we are abundantly able to hold our own. By holding back we leave many a large field to the cultivation of others. Let us think of these things; lest it be said of us: "My people do not consider."

L. A. DUNCAN.

Notes From Texas.

The regular weekly appearance of THE BAPTIST, teeming, as it does, with such excellent reading matter, is a forcible reminder, that I promised you, when I left Mississippi, I would send you some items now and then.

Nothing of thrilling interest has occurred among us of late. The matter which concerns us most at this time, is our annual collection for Home and Foreign Missions. I know of no reason why Texas Baptists may not give more this year than any other year in their history. There are more Baptists in Texas now than there ever was before, and they have as much, if not more money than they have ever had before.

Our people have grown in the grace of giving, within the last few years, with

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gratifying rapidity. There are many churches in our own State, which once gave tens, now give hundreds; others, which gave hundreds, now give thousands, to the various enterprises which we are attempting to foster.

There has been introduced among our people, an educational system, which is working out happy results in our churches.

The Sunday-school Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and The American Baptist Publication Society, have sent among us some of the most efficient Sunday-school workers to be found in all the country; these brethren, assisted by local talent, have held Sunday-school Institutes at important places, from which very happy results have been attained not only in the places where such meetings have been held, but to the regions around.

By the advice and largely under the supervision of the Board of Directors of the general association, many "Missionary Rallies" have been held throughout the State, these meetings always have a stimulating effect where they are held. Their purpose and tendency are to bring things to pass.

"Bible Institutes" are held at central and accessible points, for the purpose of studying from a Bible stand-point, those vital issues, which look in the direction of Christian efficiency and denominational growth. From all the features of this educational system we are reaping happy results.

It is very refreshing to read the good reports of progress all along the lines in your State.

I was much rejoiced that Bro. Price had such a good meeting in his church in the capitol city. We trust the day is not far distant when Jackson may be called a great stronghold of Baptist influence in Mississippi. I trust that Dr. Sproles may live to see the day, when the seeds, which he so faithfully sowed may spring up with an abundant harvest.

The large enrollment in Mississippi College is a matter of peculiar pleasure to many people in Texas, who once lived in Mississippi, and they are not a few. Your State has honorable representatives in all the walks of life over here. They are found among the thrifty farmers, the honest mechanics, prominent doctors, leading lawyers, successful merchants, and some of our most eloquent Divines first practiced on the people of Mississippi. As to statesmen, it is perhaps enough today, if the Democrats felt sure they could, they certainly would make our Mr. Bailey (and yours) President of the United States. He possesses to an eminent degree all the statesmen-like virtues, to entitle him to the nomination in the St. Louis Convention, except he does not enjoy the reputation of being "a Rough Rider."

With the hope of meeting many of my old Mississippi friends in Nashville at the Convention,

I am your friend and brother,
A. J. FAWCETT.
Hermanville, Texas, April 6, 1904.

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Southern Baptist Convention Announcement.

Maxwell House (headquarters), Cherry and Church Streets. European plan only, but with restaurant and cafe. Rooms \$1 per day and upward for each person. Special accommodations—bath, etc., for \$2 to 3 per person according to number occupying rooms.

The Maxwell House, to assure that guests can take possession of their rooms on the morning of the 13th, will require that the rooms be engaged from the night of the 11th. If this is not done reservations will be made permitting possession of rooms by six o'clock of the night of the 12th with the understanding that possession of such rooms will be given earlier in the day if possible.

Tulane Hotel, Church and Spruce Streets. American plan; \$2 and \$2.50 per day, with bath. Rooms engaged in advance will be held, but charged for from agreed specified date.

Duncan Hotel, Cherry and Cedar Streets. American plan; \$2.50 and upward per day.

Commercial Hotel, Cedar and Cherry Streets. American plan; \$1.25 per day for single person, \$1 per day with more than one occupying a room.

Arlington Hotel, 250 Church Streets. American plan; \$1 per day.

Boarding Houses.—By communicating with the committee information will be given as to boarding houses at an average rate of \$1 for board and lodging.

It is recommended that hotel engagements when desired be made as early as possible in order to avoid confusion and secure satisfactory results.

Address all communications to Lansing Burrows, Chairman, 118 North Spruce Street, Nashville, Tenn., T. P. Ray, Sec'y.

To the Home Lovers of the South.

SOUTHERN ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE CONVENTION CALLED FOR APRIL 19-20, AT ATLANTA, GA.

The glory of our Southern civilization has ever depended upon the character of our home life. The great men of Southern origin who shine as stars in our national skies have been the product of our Southern homes. Whoever attacks the home life attacks the real source of the power of our country. The greatest foe of the home life today is the licensed saloon. There are other evils in the land, but there are none which are more destructive to the happiness of our home life than the licensed saloon. The business of the saloon is to make drunkards. In making drunkards, it makes paupers, lunatics, thieves and murderers. Of necessity, therefore, it increases our taxes, fills our asylums, prisons and penitentiaries, and brings poverty, sorrow and anguish to wives, mothers and children. Moral suasion does not affect the drunkard-maker nor banish the saloon. Christian citizens must combine together and form a solemn league and covenant that they will do everything in their power to take from the saloon the protection of the law, and to make it an

outlaw, in name as well as in fact. The American Anti-Saloon League has the single motto, "The saloon must go." While fully aware of the importance of other things and of other methods in temperance reform, the League has centered all its efforts on one thing—the abolition of the saloon. The League has already been organized in many States, and is doing great service in the three great branches of its work—agitation, legislation and law enforcement. In every State where an organization has been effected, great good has been accomplished. The League is the organized temperance sentiment of the churches expressed in action. It drags no church into politics, but combines the people of all churches in a league to secure advanced legislation and law enforcement in all our States.

The South has already made great progress in the redemption of its people from the saloon. A thoroughly organized effort on non-partisan lines will bring the victory throughout our Southland. At the National Convention of the Anti-Saloon League held in Washington, December, 1903, a committee was appointed consisting of Rev. G. W. Young, D.D., of Georgetown, Ky.; Rev. Jas. Cannon, Jr., Blackstone, Va.; Rev. Edgar E. Folke, D.D., Nashville, Tenn.; and General Superintendent P. A. Baker, Columbus, O., to confer as to the advisability of holding a convention in some central part of the South to advance temperance sentiment, and to secure united action of the South in the passage of legislation in the National Congress. It has been decided to hold this meeting at Atlanta, Ga., April 19th-20th. It is earnestly desired that there shall be a gathering of the representative temperance workers of the South at this meeting. Leading workers will be present to make addresses to arouse sentiment, and to discuss plans for the great advance which we hope to make. All temperance workers will be recognized as members of the convention, whether they be Democrats, Republicans, or Party Prohibitionists; whether they be Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, Disciples, Lutherans, Quakers, Catholics, Jews, etc.; whether they be Good Templars, W. C. T. U. workers, or affiliated with any other temperance organization. The Anti-Saloon League is a union of all the forces fighting for the salvation of the home against drunkard-making. Let us come together in a great meeting that the people may see that we are in earnest, and that all minor differences sink into insignificance in the presence of this great foe. For further information write Superintendent P. A. Baker, Columbus, Ohio.

Your brethren for service against the saloon,
G. W. YOUNG,
EDGAR E. FOLKE,
JAS. CANNON, JR.,
Committee.
P. A. BAKER, General Superintendent.

Pleasure comes through toil, and not by self-indulgence and indolence.—Ruskin.

A Good Day at the Orphanage.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Orphanage Tuesday, April 12. There were present Brethren A. E. Jennings, W. B. Jones, S. W. Sibley, C. L. Lewis, S. R. Whitten, L. J. Caughman, J. C. Chapman, H. M. Alexander, F. L. Fulgham, E. R. Manning and W. F. Yarbrough. The forenoon was spent in looking over the grounds and in inspecting the laundry, grist mill and other interesting departments of this great institution. Free and informal discussion of the various departments of the Orphanage work was indulged in. At the noon hour the bell rang and we were invited into the dining hall where the children and grown up people all are accustomed to eat together. A bountiful feast of good wholesome food was spread, which was greatly enjoyed by the visitors. A number of the trustees had never seen the Orphanage before and these all expressed themselves as surprised and gratified at what they saw of the system and good order that enter into the management of this home.

The deportment of these eighty-three children furnished an object lesson and put to shame some of our homes with no more than three children in them. Most of the trustees in well chosen words expressed their great delight at being present and of what they hoped to do for the institution. An air of happiness and contentment seemed to hover about the place and we all felt that God's work was being done there.

In the afternoon the Board was called to order by President A. E. Jennings, when various matters of business were taken up. Plans were formed looking toward better school facilities for the children. In connection with this the superintendent was instructed to move the Lou. H. Moore Cottage to the Southwest corner of the property to be used as a school building while the Burford Cottage was to be moved and fitted up for an infirmary so soon as practicable. Some painting badly needed was ordered done and a work-shop for wood and iron work was authorized. These changes were ordered with a view to a brick building for boys which has become a necessity and will be forthcoming in a year or two. The finances of the institution are in excellent shape and Bro. Carter was congratulated on his wise and efficient management. A vote of thanks was extended to him and Mrs. Carter, also to the oil mills of Jackson, (The Mississippi, The Central, The Buckeye, and the Jackson,) for meal and hulls; to the fertilizer companies, (The Jackson and The Capital) for fertilizers; the Morris Ice Co., for ice; The Morrison Bros. for coal; and the ladies of West Jackson who so kindly interested themselves during the epidemic of measles, and who have made the electric lights a possibility.

It was a great day, and we all left feeling that it was good to be there. The meeting adjourned to meet at the Orphanage the day before the next State Convention meets, when the auditor, Bro. C. L.

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Louis, will make a statement as to the finances of the Institution.

W. F. YARBROUGH, Sec'y. pro. tem.

On the G. & S. I. R. R.

HATTIESBURG.

The writer enjoyed the pleasure of hearing Rev. T. T. Martin, who is aiding pastor Trotter in series of meetings in the Hattiesburg Baptist Church. It was his first acquaintance with Bro. M., and he takes pleasure in saying that the services were most interesting and profitable. The congregations were large while the attention given the preacher gave evidence of genuine interest. The tramp has not yet heard the way of salvation presented with greater clearness, the preacher is not concerned about what men think, but what God says in His Word.

The Hattiesburg people are enjoying a rare treat and the hope is entertained that the meeting will result in great good. From the home of Bishop Trotter, ye scribe looked after THE BAPTIST interest during the intervals between the services. The paper has a goodly number of readers in this town. Pastor Derrick and his flock are rejoicing over the completion of their new church house. With a neat house painted inside and out with beautiful new pews and electric lights, and a growing membership, the brethren are hopeful for the future.

SEMINARY.

Pastor Bash was found in the pulpit at 11 o'clock, Saturday, breaking the Bread of Life to the saints. On the Sabbath, by order of the Bishop, scribe as best he could, preached the Word. It being a communion, occasion, this subject furnished the theme for the morning hour. The service was pleasant and it is hoped profitable. This was also collection day for missions, resulting in \$23.00 for Foreign and \$22.50 for Home Missions. Good!

Monday morning Pastor B. took the tramp in his buggy and before 12 m., we were comfortably located in the pastorium. This home, however, belongs to the pastor. Renewals and new subscribers rewarded these visits.

COLLINS.

Collins is a thriving little city, and Pastor B. is doing a fine work, Collins, Salem and Seminary being in his field. All his churches are enlarging their gifts for missions. But the tramp went his way to other fields. A tie ticket was enjoyed from Collins to Ora, and while waiting for his train, he called upon the good people of the town and quite a number of them said yes, send me THE BAPTIST.

MOUNT OLIVE.

The next objective point is reached at noon. Brethren Bird and Bass took charge, and a pleasant day and night was spent. Several of the brethren were put into good fellowship as a result of the visit—fellowship with the State paper. But there are so many of the dear people who have acquired the habit of saying *no*!

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It would be so nice and brotherly if all would say yes! But then they won't and that's the end of it. If they could only appreciate the good its visits would do, them, and, then, the exquisite pleasure it would be to the tramp, they would no doubt quit that ugly word *no*.

MAGEE.

This is another good town and the paper has a number of good friends in the town. Bro. O'Bryan is now the under-shepherd and the work, from expressions heard, is promising. THE BAPTIST will visit several new homes carrying its cheerful greeting to the members of the family.

D'LO.

Pastor Welch is still leading the Lord's hosts in this thriving burg. The new church will in due time reach completion and then the prospect will brighten.

Sisters Weathersby and — made the tramp welcome in their comfortable home. The tramp dined at the Dalany hotel, than whom there are none who know better how to make the stay of their guests pleasant.

BRAXTON.

The stay here was short, but pleasant. Preached at 8 p. m., took renewals and one subscription and at 11 p. m., said howdy to the home folks at Jackson. A little rest and off to—

O. M. LUCAS.

Secret Faults and Presumptuous Sins.

J. B. SEARCY.

Sin is the great disintegrating heaven that spoils our lives. The Psalmist has divided these into two classes: "Secret Faults" and Presumptuous Sins." It is possible for us to live before men that, judged by human standards of uprightness, may appear faultless. But even so high an ideal of life as this, does not come up to the true Christian standard. Secret sins are "the little foxes that spoil the tender vines of otherwise useful Christian lives. They are the leopard's spots that, beneath the surface are growing to enormous and dangerous proportions. Well did Solomon say 'Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life.' We need to turn our eyes continually within. David spoke of the Lord setting our secret sins in the light of his countenance. God's countenance is the x-ray that discovers to us all our secret sins. No one can use this instrument and claim sinless perfection. No one can really see his secret sins and be happy with them in his sight. But the remedy for these is the prayer of David 'Cleanse thou me from secret faults.' The Psalmist said 'Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.' We need this cleansing daily. How encouraging to know that 'the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.' I like this expression 'cleanseth.' It denotes present and continuous purifying. The Angel of Revelation said to John concerning the host of the redeemed in the last day, 'These are they which came out

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of great tribulation, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.' This blood is the true alchemy for all sin. We should the more earnestly pray to be cleansed from "secret faults" because they lead to "presumptuous sins." People talk flippantly of "little sins" and "white lies." But they are sins all the same, and show the state of the heart.

Some years ago an old Indian was out in his little corn patch and turning over an old log he discovered a bed of little rats with their eyes yet closed. He pounced upon them and killed them. When told that he should not have killed them—that they were too little to do any harm, he promptly said "they grow big, they grow big."

This is the trouble with our secret sins—they grow big. David's sin was a secret in his own heart when he looked upon Bathsheba, and if like Job, he had then made a covenant with his eyes that he would not look upon a woman, he would have been saved the mortification of a life time. He did not do this however, and soon his "secret fault, became a "presumptuous sin," presuming that as king he could put Uriah in the van of the army and have him killed with impurity and so take Bathsheba for his wife.

This dark page in the life of one of the best of men is not without its lesson to us. Secret faults in us, if cherished and indulged, may lead us to overt and presumptuous sins, that may mar our happiness and destroy our usefulness for life and possibly effect our reward in heaven. Diverse illustrations might be given. Years ago I was intimately acquainted with a prominent Baptist minister. I loved him as an own brother. He was easily the ablest preacher in the State, his surroundings every way were favorable for great usefulness. But he had an insatiable desire for money making. He embarked in the mercantile business, failed, and greatly injured his partners—not content at this—he moved to another city, went into the grocery business, he prepared his sermons amid the salt and grease of his grocery room. But he went further, he lost his pulpit, then his church membership, and I met him a few years ago in the city of Dallas, Texas, and he told me then that he was a broker in Waco. The very face of the man made my heart sick. Let us all pray "Cleanse thou me from secret faults, and keep us back from presumptuous sins, then shall they not have dominion over us."

A Historical Sketch.

I wonder how many of the young people who read 'THE BAPTIST,' know anything about the great Napoleon Bonaparte. He came to the front after a great revolution in France, when the king and queen had been cruelly put to death and the streets of Paris had flowed in the blood of the noblemen. The Directory placed first one person and then another in power and everything was in a state of anarchy and confusion. Then Napoleon

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appeared upon the scene and soon became the idol of the army. A few strokes of fortune gave him power over "the Directory" and as commander of the army he became the ruler of France. With wonderful tact he collected around him a corps of the bravest officers the world has ever seen. For a time anything succumbed to his mighty sword, nations went down before him, kingdoms melted away until it was feared he would become master of the old world.

At last with an immense army he invaded Russia. These cold blooded people could not stand before French enthusiasm and so day after day, he marched on to the great city of Moscow. Through fields of snow and ice his men plowed their way, musing upon the hours warmth, wealth and luxury that would be found in those marble palaces and glittering towers. But alas for their dreams and hopes, when they passed within the walls they found that the city with its magnificent domes and costly palisades was bursting out in flames and the scorching fires had gained such a headway, that nothing could stay its march. The awful work of destruction went on till the once proud city lay in ashes. The Russians had sacrificed their homes rather than see them fall into the hands of their enemies. Then began days and nights of suffering for Napoleon and his troops that has no parallel in history. Reverses followed in quick succession until he was exiled to the isle of Elba.

But the star of fortune arose once more and it appeared that he was rushing on from victory to victory supported by his brave marshals—Ney, Lannes, Mural and others. The world looked on in wonder and awe but at Waterloo his star went down forever. Superhuman bravery could not stay the tide of battle and even "The old guard" failed in its charge.

Just before us is a picture of the great general on board the Bellerophon. The vessel is flowing the waves and he is gazing upon the receding shores of his loved France, with a look of utter despair. Gone are his visions of greatness, gone every hope that animated his heart! Nothing left but a few months of captivity in which to meditate upon his mistakes and then—the silence of the grave.

(MRS.) E. C. BOLLS.

A Faithful Brother.

While many professors of religion are living as though they were not possessors thereof, it is a pleasing reflection to be satisfied that there are faithful brethren and sisters not a few, who by their Christian deportment and godly conversation give evidence that they are not only professors but possessors of the religion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May the number of such greatly multiply and increase, since the world needs such and need them much. This reflection leads me to pen a few words in reference to one—I could mention many others—who is very widely known as a layman; and perhaps as widely known as any layman in our Southern Baptist Zion from the stand-

point of active and constant religious work, I refer to Bro. L. A. Duncan of Meridian, Miss. This faithful Brother for the past forty years has been living in Meridian, and, during these years has been very closely identified with all its material and secular interests from the time when it was a small village to its present proportion as a growing city; and especially has he been identified with all of its Baptist interests in all of their forms, phases and ramifications. Aeneas, the hero of the poet Virgil, when describing to Dido the labors, toils, and hardships incident to the Trojan war, said to her; "Et quorum pars magna fui" a great party of which I was, or in other words, I was a very leading factor. So Bro. Duncan could say truthfully if he were so disposed, while recounting the labors, toils, and hardships incident to the Baptist cause in Meridian during these forty years of his residence therein, I have been a very leading factor. He is too modest however to say this. He has even given and gives today all the glory for what the Baptists of Meridian have done through these years to the Lord and to the Lord alone, feeling that he has only been a feeble instrument in His hands in what he has been enabled to do along with his brethren. There is no layman in Mississippi or perhaps in our Southern Baptist Zion who has more influence over right thinking Baptists in advancing the cause of Christ than he has. Yet withal he is as humble as a little child. In my opinion, and I am not alone in this opinion, there are thousands with me, there is no layman in this broad land of ours, who can appreciate more highly or feel more in his heart the sentiments of the poet in his expressive and beautiful stanza than Bro. L. A. Duncan.

"I love thy kingdom Lord,
The house of thine abode.
The church our blest Redeemer saved
With His own precious blood.
For her my tears shall fall;
For her my prayers ascend;
To her my cares and toils be given
Till toils and cares shall end.

Long may this good man and beloved brother in Christ live to aid in extending the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

J. R. FARISH.

Notice.

Owing to continued bad health, following a severe spell of grippe, I have given up my work as pastor of the Clinton and Slaughter churches. This field can pay a preacher about \$600.00. Address C. P. Delee, Clinton, La., or B. R. Corney, Slaughter, La.

This is my fifth year with these two churches. Both of them are in good spirits, in line with the whole work—and ready to go on to larger things. May the Lord bless them with the right man.

J. B. COLE.

Clinton, La.

The Gospel is not a book; it is a living being with an action, a power, which invades everything which opposes its extension. I know men, and I tell you that Jesus Christ is not a man! Do you wish to see that which is really sublime? Repeat the Lord's Prayer.—Napoleon Bonaparte.

An Undeveloped Resource.

Money and men are the two great factors in doing the Master's work in the world. A generation ago our church was in dire need of emphasizing the importance of money. Recently we have made splendid progress in developing that resource; we may yet have much to do in getting a systematic development of our financial strength, but it seems to me that there is just now a tendency in some parts, at least, to let money take the place of first importance. Brethren, these things ought not so to be.

Though Jesus worked a miracle to supply the money needed by his band, he gave far more attention to and placed far more importance upon the training of men for his ministry. He took John, Phillip and Nathaniel, the twelve, and gave diligent heed to their development and preparation.

Stalker says that, "to the impression produced on them by their long continued contact with the Master, the twelve owed all they became." And to these what does not the church owe in what it has become? The last six months Jesus spent in Galilee, he did little of preaching and miracle-working, but gave most of his time to the instruction of his ministry. He made many quiet journeys with them into secluded parts of the country, not alone to avoid the Pharisees and to escape Herod, but more particularly to bring his disciples into close touch with his work to perfect their preparation for the same.

You will remember that the incident at Caesarea-Philippi, where Peter declared to him, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God," was reached during this period of seclusion. It shows the result of personal contact and intimate teaching.

This kind of inspiration and instruction the ministry still needs and must have; this kind of ministry the church needs and must have.

It is still true that the harvest is abundant and the laborers are few. No longer, however, may men have Jesus in person receive them as assistants in his public ministry, and as friends and students under his personal tuition; but the Bible reveals to us a similar method in the Paul and Timothy relation. The young man Timothy needed the ripe scholar and the experienced minister, Paul, as a friend and counsellor in his early ministry.

Paul gave Timothy practical hints and helps as to the conduct of pastoral work, and he lifted up his ideal and informed his judgment as to the importance, and possibilities of his high calling. This young minister was not left to be encumbered by clumsy methods, nor to follow local traditions or bookish theories; his resources were developed in a practical way and he was thus made meet for the master's use.

See now, brethren, whether I am correct in my view of the situation I am about to outline. I see many country and village churches developed, needing the inspiration and the leadership of an efficient pastor. I see also in the rural communities and villages young men already ordained

and set apart for the full ministry and after years of unfruitful experience they are anxiously seeking pastorates.

Now why not one of these needs minister to the other? Where lies the trouble? Recently a brother from a country village came to me for help in getting a pastor; I said to him "Young brother A. wants work; see him." He said, "Have you ever heard young brother A. preach?" "I had not," He replied, "Well, I have; we have tried him already. He is a good boy but not prepared to preach or do pastoral work." Then he explained to me that though they had lived in the country, they knew what good preaching was, and that their people were intelligent and informed, some of them being high-school and college graduates, and that only a man of education and training could succeed there.

He will remind me that Mississippi College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary are intended to educate and train these young men for the ministry. That is true, and greatly to our credit. These institutions are enthusiastic and busy in this needed work, but still there are numbers of these young men called to the ministry, who go on from year to year inefficiently serving small churches and vainly seeking larger ones. After a few years of such experience they get married, and the rule is then they are forever barred from further educational advantages and training. These uneducated, untrained young men I am thinking of as our "Undeveloped Resources."

All this I have said in order to say that our pastors and our churches may do much in reaching, inspiring and preparing these young brethren. They have low ideals as to the work of the ministry, and therefore do not fully appreciate their need of training. They think that to wear a clerical coat, cultivate a clerical voice, and deliver some sort of a sermon on Sunday morning is to be a minister. One of these young preachers was seeking the pastorate of a good church in a railroad village, and thought himself competent to fill the place.

He was invited by a brother minister to occupy the pulpit with him in his town church; when he came on to offer the prayer, he turned his awkward back to the audience, leaned back his head, and prayed out his wordy prayer bang up against the wall. When closing he left off in a state of uncertainty and desperation that left the presiding pastor wondering whether he had concluded or whether he might yet break out in a new place. While he was thus waiting to see how it would turn out, the young man wagged his head at the choir and shouted in a tone of desperation, "Sing?" The pastor thought it a good idea and announced a hymn.

While in town the young preacher called at the home of a lady whom he had met at church; though the good sister was entertaining intimate lady friends at the time, the young preacher saw no impropriety in taking a whole hour and a half of her time for merely paying his respects and count-

ing a call.

Now these young men need help; they need help because they need to give help. There are churches needing them, if they only were prepared for service. Let the pastors and deacons of our stronger churches hunt out such undeveloped young men and arrange for them to study and work with the pastor.

A boy who is beginning to preach in the country, has no library, no one to instruct him, is awkward and ignorant, knows not how to study or what to study. He may go on for years doing little good for himself and less for the church he is serving; but if he is brought into the home of a good deacon, is taken into the study of the pastor, has "Broadus on the Preparation and Delivery of Sermons" put into his hands, is trained in Bible study, given a course in church history, taken with the pastor into the pulpit and into the pastorate, a few months of such study may open his eyes to the need of study and training and be the means of sending him to Clinton or Louisville. It certainly will be a means of culture and development for him that will be invaluable to him and his church in the future. Where a worthy young man is studying so, that church will be sure to help him, will see to it that he is given all the help that he needs. That church will, in a concrete and direct way, begin to help along ministerial education. The student minister will soon find himself the appreciated pastor of some adjacent country or village church, and will gather information and inspiration in his student work with his experienced brother minister and make it helpful to his little church.

Right soon the small church needing a pastor, and the undeveloped pastor needing a church will be brought together. If these dear preacher boys are taken in and made efficient workers, our waste places in the country community will be built up by those who go no farther than the course of training and study with the brother pastor. Those who go away for a course in the Seminary will have experience and insight into the practical church work, that will enable them better to appreciate the lectures and study while in school, and will make them better ready for actual work after the Seminary course.

Had you ever noticed that only a few of the boys that graduate from Clinton ever afterwards become efficient in Mississippi pastorates? Some of these I dare say would succeed better if given the seasoning I have referred to.

I am reminded of a thing a Methodist brother told me. He said that at conference one of those successful pastors, who by genius and strenuous effort had made his way up, ventured to criticize the results they were getting from the College and Seminary graduates. He said, "When one of these young fellows graduates, enters conference, and is given his first charge, he goes out for a year, and when he comes back to the next conference, in the place of looking as though he had been dispensing the pure milk of the word to an

appreciative people he looks like he had been suckling a mule colt." Needs the sympathy and help of an elder brother minister for a while first, maybe.

Remember, brethren, that Jesus and Paul had work to do in preparing and developing Peter and Timothy; so also do you experienced and educated pastors, with your churches, have work to do in the way of inspiring and training these young men and urging them not to neglect the gift that is in them.

Faithfully yours,

WM. F. ROBERTS.

Grenada First Church.

The Ministry of Today.

What is its greatest need? Is it a better education? While that cannot be too good, the crying need is of another color. Then is it more polish and exquisite politeness? When genuine these are always in demand. Is it fine and philosophic literature, sparkling in learned phrase? No. These have their seat in the realm of letters; but they are too light for the pulpit. Is it shorter sermons? That may be for some, unless they had more gospel. But that is not the issue. It is something that has been weakening for two or more decades. This decline has lessened the power of the pulpit and rendered vacant many seats in churches. It has caused people to run after their own devices and seek pleasure at the risk of losing their highest interests. One word will express the chief need to ministry of today. That word is earnestness. The highest education; the most polished manner; the most brilliant talents and personal attractiveness; the grandest opportunities and favorableness of situation, all and more, without earnestness, become "as a sounding brass, or tinkling cymbal." In the ministry the love toward God and man must kindle that earnestness in the heart that touches and moves the hearts of men. Apostolic earnestness is as needful to lead sinners to the cross of Christ as in the days of Peter and Paul. The world is no harder to break from loving itself than in the ages past. Let earnestness be kindled and alive by love and guided by faith and sinners will flock to the house of God as "doves to the windows," and cry for salvation. The logic of earnestness is love set on fire in preaching the gospel of Christ to dying men and women. This stands out in bold relief.

The record of all Christian history clearly demonstrates that every successful preacher, either pastor, evangelist or reformer, has been an earnest man. Names of many could be given, but not necessary, as they are familiar to all attentive readers. There is neither time nor need for pride and formalities. Plain, earnest, men are heard when advocating a bad cause. If we win multitudes of souls, we must have deeper devotion, more love, simplicity, a pervading earnestness, and an intelligent use of the "best means to the best ends." Surely our environments offer greater encouragement to more faithful, Christian effort, with a hearty earnestness, than our

fathers enjoyed.

Messengers of the Cross, behold the fields already white. Look at this Delta country, rich in land, but in depths of poverty, spirituality.

Faternally,

A. P. COPELAND.

If I Was Influential.

I would write my next article on words. It is said a man is known by the company he keeps and his wife by the dress she wears. Our Lord says a tree is known by its fruit. The English language is by no means perfect, but I am sure it is better than some people who belong to our churches. "By thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned." Men shall give an account for every idle word in the judgment, says the Christ. Let your yea, be yea and your nay, nay. Now that I may be understood I have reference especially to cursing Baptists. If I could make them ashamed, and their shame would lead them to repentance, I shall do a good work. But there is some doubt at least in my mind as to whether or not such parties have any sense of shame.

In the first place, the church member that swears or profanes the name of God, lowers himself in the estimation of respectable people. In the second place he sets a bad example before old and young. Examples are wonderful and far-reaching, even to eternity, and will stand for or against one in that unknown world. In the third place, it is a wilful breaking of the command of God. In the fourth place—I had come near saying one is a fool that swears. But it might not do to speak so plain. Yes, Bro. Editor, I would call attention to the fact that some of our church members curse at things, a great many things, especially when cotton goes off about 170 points. They curse also when it goes up. They curse when adversity comes. They curse when they succeed. They curse in common conversation. They curse all creation, sometimes, and then curse themselves. But they go to church, they pay the pastor, they give to missions, they are liberal, they dress well, look clean on the outside, but I think I might be permitted to say they are not clean on the inside. For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. I do not know what the Lord will do with a church that knowingly keeps swearers in it. He will do right, of course, it matters not who it hurts.

Yes, some people curse, the world knows it, the church knows it, they know it, God the Judge knows it, and the devil knows it and is glad of it. A cursing church member is a burning shame and disgrace in any church and community. God have mercy on any church that tolerates it.

W. S. CULPEPPER.

Meridian Miss.

From Yazoo City.

Since last I wrote to THE BAPTIST I have moved from Hazlehurst back to my old home, Yazoo City. It was with a

sigh that I even thought of leaving the Hazlehurst Baptist church. So many warm friends and a much beloved pastor. I knew the membership here was small and I had been told "they were so cold and stylish." But I have been gloriously mistaken. In four days after I moved in my new home nearby a mile from the church, Bro. Derrick and two sweet spirited young ladies came to see me, and inside of a week Bro. D. and his lovely wife called again. My little daughter and I were warmly welcomed in the church in the old way, with the right hand of church fellowship. By the way, Bro. D. has a fine way of reading the rules to any one he receives in the church. Of course the membership is small here, I don't know the exact number, somewhere about 175 I suppose, but the church is in a flourishing condition, only a week ago \$110.00 was sent for foreign missions. The church is out of debt now, and a neat pastor's home. Good things are in store for the Yazoo City Baptist Church. Let me say here, Bro. Derrick is a "hustler"—he preaches two long sermons on Sunday, teaches a class in Sunday-school, attends the Ladies Society, and conducts prayer meeting Wednesday night, and he is far from a strong man, but bless the Lord, he is filled with the Spirit and can do anything through Christ—who strengthens him.

The ladies have a fine society and are making money they say. The B. Y. P. U's have an interesting society and on Sunday evening many young people are drawn in, who otherwise would loiter around on the streets. I am beginning to feel at home here, and think I will soon fall in love with the Baptist people here. Yesterday was a sweet day with us—we had The Lord's Supper. God bless THE BAPTIST.

C. B. B.

Yazoo City, April 4, 1904.

Voters Not Votaries.

You may pray to God to strike the iniquitous liquor business with the thunderbolts of his wrath; you may weep rivers of sympathetic tears over the unhappy fate of the drunkard; you may spend money like water to reclaim the dismantled hulks of humanity that toss aimlessly on the ocean of alcohol; you may write books on the physical, social and moral results of the poison; you may fulminate ponderous ecclesiastical protests and yet, as long as you vote to legalize or vote for parties that legalize the traffic, the saloon will bestride the municipal, State and national politics like red handed and anarchistic colossus, thumb-to-nose, puissant and saucy. The saloon fears voters, not votaries.

Under the first two and one-half years of prohibition the total number of convicts in Iowa ran down from 800 to 532. Under the first four years of the mulct law the lumber ran up from 694 to 1,171.

Forty-five counties in prohibition Kansas possessing poorhouses and farms are without a single pauper, and in thirty-seven counties there were no criminals for trial in the district courts.—Sel.

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Redeeming the Time.

These closing days of our Conventional year are golden days big with opportunity for reaping a rich harvest. Two Sundays more and the record shall have been made. What shall it be? That depends on our ability to buy up the opportunity. The Master's command is to do business till He comes. Shall we like wise-buyers be in the market with an eye for business ready to seize the best bargains? This is the figure by which the apostle would impress on us our duty as good stewards of the manifold mysteries of grace. The opportunity to do our duty for the lost whom we are trying to reach with the gospel is before us for this Conventional year and in a few more days will be gone forever so far as this year is concerned.

\$18,000 for Foreign Missions and \$10,000 for Home Missions are little enough for a great State like ours with more than a hundred thousand Baptists. These two objects ought to have the right of way over all other objects until after April 30th. That evening Secretary Rowe will telegraph to Richmond and Atlanta respectively the amounts in hand. Don't fail to let him hear from you before sunset of that day. Bro. Rowe's reports show that a vigorous campaign must be waged without any loss of time if we redeem our pledges, or the amounts expected of us. Especially is this true of the Home Board. Let Mississippi Baptists make Bro. Gray's heart glad, and what is better, honor God by coming up nobly to the help of this cause.

The Mississippi Baptist Convention agreed at its last session to attempt to raise \$50,000 for missions by next July. If we can roll up \$30,000 for Home and Foreign Missions by April 30th it will begin to look like we meant business last July. Brethren, we ought to do it. What is done must be done quickly. Let all be done with a desire to please our Lord and advance his kingdom.

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The Scholars Ruled Out.

No man who believes and teaches that Christian Baptism is "a dipping into water to represent the death, burial and resurrection of Christ," can be a safe interpreter of any part of the Bible. He may hold to the essential doctrines of grace, and have a correct religious experience, but they will be in logical inconsistency with his doctrines of baptism. Hence, when I saw the name of "Dr. Broadus" quoted as authority in the Earnest Worker of January, 1904 (Lesson of Jan. 17th) I felt that the editor was being misled and that he would mislead others.—Presbyterian Standard.

The above from the pen of one T. Gallaher on "Why was Christ Baptized" is rich indeed. By this statement some of the most noted scholars of the Presbyterian Church are ruled out. Such Presbyterian scholars as Turretin, Richard Baxter and Philip Schaff on the design of baptism, together with Calvin, Beza, Chalmers and Moses Stuart on the apostolic mode, to say nothing of scores of leading scholars of all other denominations, must stand aside and give place to this Mr. T. Gallaher, whoever he may be. In regard to the form of baptism Sr. Schaff says, "The impartial historian is compelled by exegesis and history to yield the point to the Baptists." Richard Baxter says, "In the apostles' time the baptized were dipped overhead in the water, and this signified their profession, both of believing the burial and resurrection of Christ and of their own renouncing the world and the flesh or dying to sin and living to Christ, or rising again to newness of life, or being buried and risen again with Christ, as the apostle expounded in the forecited texts of Colossians and Romans. And though (as before said) we thought it lawful to disuse the manner of dipping, and to use less water, yet we presume not to change the use and signification of it." But our critic does presume to make this change and furthermore rules out great names as unsafe exegetes on any question of Scripture because, forsooth, they take the Bible as it reads. This critic will disturb the scholars about as much as a fly on an ox's horn would disturb his noonday meal.

Notes and Comments.

News comes of the death of Mrs. W. H. Sears, one of our Board's missionaries in China, from Scarlet fever. Our hearts go out to our Bro. Sears in this his great sorrow.

Bro. F. D. Hale who recently assumed charge of the First Baptist Church, Wilmington, N. C., has resigned to take effect latter part of April. He has been quite sick with lung fever and his physician insists that he must seek a different climate. He will go for awhile to Hot Springs.

Bro. P. T. Hale who succeeded his brother F. D. at Third Church, Owensboro, Ky., has at last accepted the presidency of

The Southwestern Baptist University at Jackson, Tenn. With Hale at the University and Jeffries at Carson and Newman, the Baptist educational affairs of Tennessee are in good hands.

Brother Bryan Simmons of the Seminary has accepted the care of the Brandon church for half time, beginning June 1st; and will be glad to put in the other half of his time with other churches either as pastor or to hold meetings.

The First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, has over \$700.00 for Foreign Missions. The pastor hopes the amount will reach close to \$750.00. Four of the members give \$100.00 each, thereby supporting 4 native preachers.

The Gideons are a religious organization of drummers started about four years ago, according to the Baptist and Reflector, now has a membership of five thousand. The "knights of the grip" are to be congratulated on this practical form of developing their religious life. Some of the best Christians we have ever known belong to this class of men.

Bro. W. A. Hamlett, well known in Mississippi, now of Rosedale, Texas, has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Tyler, Tex. This is the church which Bro. J. H. Gambrell recently left to take a place on the editorial staff of The Baptist Standard. Bro. Hamlett is a strong man and goes to a strong church.

We learn that some friends of the lamented D. I. Purser will memorialize him in the new building of the First Baptist Church of Birmingham. The memorial will be in the form of a baptistry the design to be chosen by Mrs. Purser in connection with the architect. This will be an appropriate monument to the memory of Bro. Purser and his work in connection with that church.

Dr. Broughton's church, the Baptist Tabernacle, Atlanta, has a Sunday-school class of 175 young men, who make it apart of their business to look up jobs for the unemployed. They have a "Sinking Fund" from which they loan any worthy young man, small amounts at five per cent interest, the interest returning to said fund for the purpose of helping others. Here is a fine work for all our city churches—not only for young men, but young women as well.

The Florida Baptist Witness honored its first page last week with a fine cut of Gen. S. D. Lee, who, on the death of Gen. Gordon was chosen commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans. He is also president of the Vicksburg National Park Commission. But the greatest office he holds, is that of deacon of the Columbus Baptist Church. He has recently been favorably mentioned by several papers for the presidency of the United States. He would make as good a president in his day as Washington did in his day.

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"Dr. W. J. McGlothlin has resigned the care of the Glen's Creek Baptist church. Dr. McGlothlin has been pastor of this church for ten years, and now resigns because he finds that his Seminary work demands all of his time."—Baptist Argus.

"Glen's Creek"! Why, that sounds very much like a "country church." The above mentioned Doctor is one of the most scholarly men in America, and yet he has been preaching "ten years" to a country church. Herein lies the true glory of our great Seminary—many of her noblest sons are preaching to country churches.

The "Rip Saw," published in St. Louis, says that, while the World's Fair is to be closed on Sundays, "The Pike," the most infamous resort that bad men, fallen women and mean whisky combined can make, as an "Annex" to the fair, will run "wide open" all the time; that said "Pike" is to be operated by the "Central Amusement Company;" that, this company is composed of the brewers and saloonists of the city; that a ticket to the fair admits you to "The Pike" also; and that the managers of this "Central Amusement Company" are appointed by the manager of the World's Fair. What a shame!

The Examiner says that, it is reported that, "a syndicate has been formed with the fiendish object of luring young girls to St. Louis, under various pretexts, for immoral purposes." This "syndicate" will advertise in the smaller towns and rural communities, for "cash" girls, clerks, telephone girls etc., and when said girls reach St. Louis they will be met by these agents of the devil and shown to a "nice" boarding house, which is only a house of prostitution, where these innocent girls are forced into harlotry. The Young Woman's Christian Associations are at work to thwart this villainous scheme as far as they can.

Senator Joseph R. Burton, of Kansas has the unenviable distinction of being the first U. S. Senator to be convicted of crime. A jury of his fellow citizens have found him guilty of a corrupt use of his senatorial influence in favor of a stock gambling establishment. He has taken an appeal and of course no impeachment proceedings will be instituted until the appeal is decided. His career ought to be a lesson to the young manhood of our country. Smartness in money-getting does not pay in the end even in this life. It is not true that those in high places always go unpunished in their wrong-doing. Our State courts might learn some points from the federal courts in this respect.

In speaking of Mr. Sully, the man who recently failed in the cotton market, and caused a considerable fall in the price of cotton, an exchange says: With the failure of Sully went down many unwary victims of misplaced confidence. There is no form of gambling of any kind that is safe. It brings ruin sooner or later." Ill gotten gains will not stay with a man. He may

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prosper for a time, but the fall will come. "Honesty is the best policy," not only to live by, but it is a source of satisfaction when we come to die. Honesty doesn't necessarily make one a Christian, but to be a Christian, we must necessarily be honest.

Pastors and Deacons of Strong River Association.

BRETHREN:—At the last meeting of the Strong River Association Eld. C. E. Welch was chosen messenger to the Southern Baptist Convention to meet in Nashville May 13th, 1904, and there was not any provision made for the payment of his expenses. Now brethren, see to it that your church sends a contribution to Bro. Welch, at Clinton, Miss. If your church does not meet again in time for you to collect the money and get it to him by the 10th of May, send it to him yourself and collect it from your church at your next meeting. Do this for Bro. Welch and let him go, and it will do him good, and he will do us good when he returns.

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Summit, Miss.

I notice Bro. J. F. Haley's criticism of something I wrote on the subject of di-

vorice, in which he charges me with "deliberately" eliminating Christ's plain statement. I am not infallible and may have blundered. To his "indictment"—which I understand to mean the same as wilfully, and with premeditation—Eliminating Christ's plain statement I beg to plead not guilty, and demand a speedy trial, and ask to know what plain statement it was I so "deliberately" eliminated?

J. R. SAMPLE.

We call the attention of our readers this week to the fact that J. W. Patton, of this city, bought out the interest of Mr. White in the music business formerly known as Patton & White, some time ago, and will continue same at their old stand in this city. Mr. Patton was the original owner of this business before Mr. White entered it, and is thoroughly acquainted with all its details as well as the wants and requirements of his friends and patrons. We can say without fear of ever having to retract the statement that Mr. Patton will never leave anything undone which will please those who trade with him. We therefore bespeak for him a goodly share of the patronage of our readers. When wanting anything in the music line write to him for catalogues and prices.

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Leave Hattiesburg:	Leave Hattiesburg:	Leave Hattiesburg:
8:10 a. m.	7:00 p. m.	7:58 a. m.

Arrive at Gulfport:

10:05 a. m.	10:00 p. m.	11:15 a. m.
No. 2.	No. 4.	No. 6.

Leave Gulfport:

7:50 p. m.	7:00 a. m.	4:05 p. m.
Arrive Hattiesburg:	Arrive Hattiesburg:	Arrive Hattiesburg:
10:00 p. m.	10:35 a. m.	7:20 p. m.

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" Crusader	7:33am	4:43pm
" Semmes	7:40am	4:50pm
" Wilmer	7:57am	5:07pm
" Latonia	8:13am	5:23pm
" Brushy	8:20am	5:30pm
" Donovan	8:27am	5:37pm
" Evanston	8:36am	5:46pm
" Lucedale	8:43am	5:53pm
" Eubank	8:54am	6:04pm
" Bexley	9:02am	6:12pm
" Merrill	9:15am	6:25pm
" Leaf	9:32am	6:42pm
" McLain	9:48am	6:58pm
" Little Creek	9:54am	7:03pm
Ar. Beaumont	10:08am	7:17pm

South Bound—Daily.

Stations	No. 1.	No. 3.
Ar. Mobile	12:31pm	7:33pm
" Orchard	12:05pm	7:07pm
" Crusader	11:59am	7:01pm
" Semmes	11:53am	6:55pm
" Wilmer	11:37am	6:39pm
" Latonia	11:20am	6:22pm
" Brushy	11:13am	6:15pm
" Donovan	11:06am	6:08pm
" Evanston	10:57am	5:59pm
" Lucedale	10:51am	5:53pm
" Eubank	10:40am	5:39pm
" Bexley	10:32am	5:31pm
" Merrill	10:19am	5:18pm
" Leaf	10:02am	5:01pm
" McLain	9:48am	4:45pm
" Little Creek	9:38am	4:39pm
Lv. Beaumont	9:25am	4:25pm

NORTH BOUND.

No. 4—Daily.	Daily—No. 1.
7:18pm Lv. Beaumont	Ar. 9:24am
7:34pm " Wingate	" 9:08am
7:41pm " New Augusta	" 9:01am
7:49pm " Mahomed	" 8:53am
8:04pm " Ragland	" 8:37am
8:13pm " McCallum	" 8:28am
8:35pm Ar. Hattiesburg	Lv. 8:07am

No. 2.	No. 3.
10:10am Lv. Beaumont	Ar. 4:23pm
10:31am " Hintonville	" 4:02pm
10:51am " Richton	" 3:42pm
11:12am " Loper	" 3:21pm
11:28am " Ovett	" 3:05pm
11:56am " Ellisville	" 2:37pm
12:25pm Ar. Laurel	Lv. 2:08pm

On account of Southern Good Roads meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 6th and 7th, 1904, the Queen & Crescent Route has authorized the extremely low rate of one fare plus 25 cents for the round trip, from all points on its lines. This rate will apply for tickets sold April 4th, 5th, and for trains scheduled to reach New Orleans before noon of April 6th. Tickets good to return to and including April 9th, 1904. For detailed information as to schedules, etc., apply to the nearest ticket agent of the Queen & Crescent Route, or Geo. H. Smith, General Passenger Agent, New Orleans, La.

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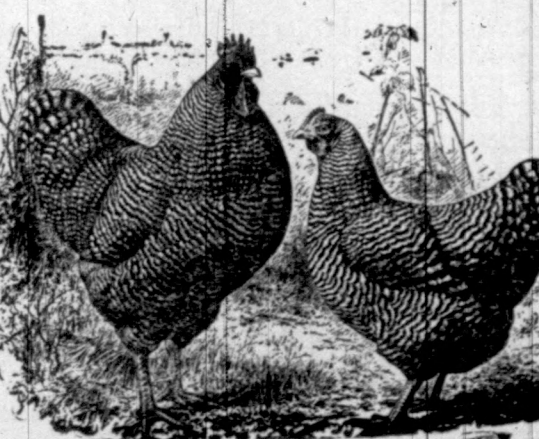
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TO CHICAGO AND RETURN. Account General Conference A. M. E. Church. Southern Railway announces a rate of one fare plus 50 cents for round trip to Chicago and return. Tickets to be sold April 29, 30, May 1 and 2, final limit May 10. By depositing tickets and payment of fee of 50 cents, final limit may be extended until June 10. For tickets and detailed information, see nearest Agent, or write

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Children's Associates.

In the May *Delineator* there is an article by Mrs. Theodore W. Birney on children's companions which may be read with benefit by all parents. The following paragraph contains some of the sensible advice that marks the paper throughout:

"It is easier to control children's associations in early childhood than at a period when, through school and other features of their educational and social life they are thrown with large numbers of boys and girls, representing homes of every character. It is then they indicate through their choice of friends the established standards in their own homes. It is unwise and uncharitable to denounce an undesirable friendship your son or daughter may have formed while you were not on guard. In such a case you must 'be as wise as a serpent, and as harmless as a dove,' prevent as far as possible the making of engagements with the object of your disapproval by suggesting other duties at that time, or, better still, substitute some pleasure. Propinquity is usually the determining factor in the development of friendship, so it is a good plan for parents to frequently invite to their homes the boys and girls whom they would like to have as close associates for their children."

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The Queen & Crescent Route announces that it has arranged to sell, during the period June 1st to September 30th, tickets reading from points in Louisiana and Mississippi to St. Louis, via Meridian and the M. & O. R. R., thence by direct route to any Summer Tourist Resort in Tennessee, Virginia, or the Carolinas, thence home by direct route, with privilege of stop-over at St. Louis to attend Louisiana Purchase Exposition, and final limit of October 31st, at rate based on 80 per cent. of the sum of the one way rates by the route of the ticket, or the reverse of the above routing.

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Deaths.

[Death notices of 100 words and marriage notices of 25 are printed free; all over, cost one cent per word, which must accompany copy of notice.]

Elizabeth Lyon Davis.

Sister Davis was born in 1837. At the age of 18 she was married to J. J. Davis, of Lee county. At that time she was a faithful member of the Methodist church. She early and conscientiously began to tell her Baptist husband why he should be a Methodist. They both cheerfully agreed to let the Bible bring them together denominationally. Heart to heart they studied God's Word together, the Holy Spirit making the things of Jesus plain. Within a few months Sister Davis found herself following her Lord in a baptism that teaches the burial and resurrection of the Son of God.

In 1862 her husband laid his life on his country's altar and left his young wife a widow with five children, all of whom she raised to respectable citizenship and Baptist membership, she herself remaining a widow and a faithful Baptist to the end. Her loved ones sorrow, but not as those who have no hope.

G. W. S.

Van Vleet, Miss.

Hugh Walker.

God, who doeth all things well, has called from this world of pain and sorrow Brother Hugh Walker. He was born October 25, 1858; died at his home six miles west of Florence, Rankin county, April 4, 1904. Joined the Baptist church in early life. Was married by Rev. R. W. Hall, February 6, 1878, to Miss V. A. Steen, daughter of C. J. and W. A. Steen. He leaves a wife, an aged mother, an adopted daughter and many friends to mourn their loss. The funeral services were held in the Steens Creek Baptist Church, after which his remains were buried in the Steens Creek cemetery to await the resurrection.

Brother Walker was a good citizen, a kind neighbor, and on his death bed gave evidence of his peace with God and all mankind. So let us not mourn for him as those who have no hope. The Lord be gracious to the aged mother and faithful wife in this their greatest of trials.

S. MORRIS.

Miss Iva May Seale.

February 12, 1904, the dark winged angel of death called from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Seale, and from our midst, their daughter and our friend, Miss Iva May, who was born September 26, 1883. She united with Union Church last August and was baptized by the writer.

It is sad to part with such a true friend, devoted daughter and faithful Christian, but mingled with this sadness is that blessed consolation that she was willing to go and bade her loved ones good-bye and took her departure to that land where no good-byes will be.

There is a vacant chair at home, a voice less at Sabbath School and a missing face in the pew, but one more in heaven.

Sleep on, dear Iva, in your peaceful rest. We feel assured that our loss is your eternal gain.

"Yes, another one from us has gone, To that bright home of love and bliss; A star that in our sky but shone, That we, its light, might miss."

May the Lord comfort the bereaved in the absence of their loved one.

Her pastor,
HOMER H. WEBB.

Married.

McLain-Garrow.

Mr. Enoch B. McLain, of Gloster, Miss., to Mrs. S. A. Garrow, of Liberty, Miss. This was a quiet marriage at the home of the bride's daughter, Mrs. Wilford Lea, the writer officiating.

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Program.

April, 1904.

Programs are suggestive. The introduction of new features, selection of additional hymns, subjects of prayer, etc., are left with the Society.

Subject: "The Colored People."

Do the duty that lies nearest to you.

1. The Lord's Prayer in concert.

2. Self-Denial—a condition of discipleship: Luke 14:27; 1 John 2:3-10. Example, Rom. 15:1, 5; Rom. 12:1, 19-21.

3. Ask forgiveness for past shortcomings; for the Savior's presence at the meeting.

4. Leaflet: "The Colored People," in Questions and Answers. A good plan: Let the Leader ask the questions; if they cannot be answered, let her give printed answers, afterwards reviewing them.

5. For Emphasis: "Nearly 40 per cent. of all our population in the South are Negroes, and Southern people are doing almost nothing for them. Can you realize what this must mean to the South in a few years?"—Dr. F. H. Kerfoot.

6. Leaflet: "House-Top Saint."

7. Encouragement to Prayer: "God rules the world by the prayer of His saints. Prayer is the power by which Satan is conquered. The power of believing prayer is simply irresistible."

8. Subjects of prayer: That the great problem of the South—the Colored People—may be solved by Christianity. For Christ-like sympathy with those who are trying to live right, and for His compassion towards the lowest.

9. Business, collection, etc.

10. Direct attention to "Bright Hours" (see April Foreign Missionary Journal). Testimony of an experienced leader: "It is the finest help to all kinds of mission work I have ever had."

11. Close with "Helpful Thoughts from Master Workers" (Page 2 of "Mission Manual").

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MACBETH, Pittsburgh.

Crash in the kitchen seems not entirely inapplicable to our "Monthly Topic," the colored people, inasmuch as they usually reside in the culinary department. The ability to bear patiently the breaking of a valued piece of China is a tolerably good proof that one possesses spirit of Christ.

"Aunt Rachel's Treatment."

Crash! An ominous sound came from the kitchen, as I was sitting for a quiet talk with my friend, Mrs. Morrison. I expected her to get up and run nervously to that quarter, but she quietly continued the conversation. A moment after there appeared at the door a young servant with a woe-begone look on her face, and a tear on either cheek. I could not forbear an exclamation of dismay at perceiving that in her hand she held the fragments of my friend's largest meat dish, belonging to her fine dinner-set.

"Broken?" asked Mrs. Morrison, looking at it as though it were the wreck of a kitchen bowl. "You might have selected something else to break, Lena," she added, with a little shake of the head, but still with a smile.

"It slipped right out of my hands," said the girl in great distress.

"Oh, don't stay to fret over it, Lena. You don't break many dishes. No, it's no use to save the pieces. It cannot be mended."

"Well, Ruth!! I exclaimed, as Lena greatly comforted, took her departure. "Any one would think, to see how coolly you take the ruin of that handsome dish, that you could have a new set any day, if you want it."

"Which is very far from being the case, as you know," said my friend soberly. "I am afraid I cannot match the dish, even if I could afford the money for it just now."

"But you do not seem to mind the accident at all," I persisted, quite unable to understand her equanimity.

"Oh, yes, I do—after a fashion," she went on, very deliberately. "That set was a present from dear old Aunt Rachel, and I am sorry to see any piece of it broken. But if you are wondering because I do not fret over what can't be helped, I can only assure you, Eleanor, that I cannot afford to. It is bad enough to lose the dish without that."

"Any one will admit that fretting is of no use," I said. "But You are about the first woman I have ever seen who really lived up to the idea."

"I didn't begin that way," replied Ruth, settling back into her chair with a thoughtful expression on her face. "I was 'I was very much given to fretting over small annoyances when I was much younger. It was that same dear old Aunt Rachel, who cured me by vigorous treatment."

"I should like her recipe, if you can give it to me."

"Oh, it is only the same old one you may hear or read of any day of your life: 'Don't fret; it is thankless, rebellious, and utterly useless, never does a bit of good, and always does harm,' with plenty more such plain truths. I think it must have been the sturdy administration which affected me. When we were first married, Fred and I began housekeeping in our pretty little house with everything nice about it, and we

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were as happy as young people usually are. But my habit of worrying over trifles began putting little blots here and there on the smooth surface of our lives. Any petty mishap would fill me with the keenest anxiety.

"Well, real trouble came at last. Our baby was sick for weeks, and we thought he never would get well. As I prayed that the shadow of death might not so early darken our home, I believed I should never again allow myself to be moved by small troubles. But I did not have an opportunity to test my resolution very soon; for as baby recovered I became ill. For many a day I lay far beyond all resolving for the future; in fact, the winter had passed before I won my way back to life, and began to take up its cares one by one.

"Well, I held to my good resolution as I rejoiced in being able to oversee the house-cleaning, until I came to the parlor carpet. The room had been shut up for months, and had not been properly aired and swept, and the moths had made fearful ravages all around the edges of the carpet. You'll be astonished to hear, Eleanor, that all my equanimity broke down at sight of it. I was in a terrible state of annoyance. But just as I was

in the midst of my 'pet,' Aunt Rachel's kindly face beamed upon me for a week's visit.

"Thankful to see the so well, my dear," was her greeting. 'The Lord has been good to thee. Not that I don't mean that He would have been good if thee hadn't got well.'

"Yes, I'm very well now, thank you, Aunt Rachel," I said, after the first inquiries were over. 'Well enough, you see, having got past my great troubles, to settle down to small worries. Look here—isn't this enough to break the heart of a housekeeper?'

"She looked at me with her quiet eyes, always so full, I used to think, of the very peace of heaven. 'Surely, Ruth, thee isn't going to make the matter worse by vexing thy soul over a mishap?'

"Oh, it's all very well to talk like that, Aunt Rachel," I replied. 'But I can't afford a new carpet just now.'

"The doesn't need one—the bad places hardly show."

"But I shall always know they are there and it will take away my peace of mind."

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Hattiesburg.

After a long and patient (?) wait we have gotten our pews for the Columbia Street Church. They are beautiful, and a thing to be desired for comfort. We are now in position to go to work. I feel we will take our collection for foreign missions the second Sunday. We hope to average \$1 per member, which will make \$26. Our people are all in fine spirits. Bro. T. T. Martin, who is holding revival meetings for the First Church, will preach for us at 3:30 p. m., during next week. We hope and pray that much good may come of it to our little church. We expect to hold a protracted meeting later in the spring.

Our church, in connection with other friends, came to the pastor's home last Friday night and gave to him and his wife a very delightful pounding. In connection with it the good ladies presented the good lady a purse of money with which to paper the parlor. We certainly are in the hands of the Lord and good friends.

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After spending several days in prayer and preparation, we began our revival meeting on March 24th, Rev. W. A. McComb coming to our assistance four days later. Bro. McComb gave us 11 days of the best preaching of his life, speaking two and three times a day. He preached God's truths with so much power and force and told the "Old Old Story of Jesus and His Love" with such love and tenderness that our church has been revived as never before. Scores of backsliders were reclaimed and the hardest of sinners converted, some of whom who had not been to church in ten years. Bro. McComb has left a lasting sentiment or influence against every form of sin in our town and community. He not only leaves the spiritual life of our town quickened to the highest point but he has built up church and pastor in the strongest bonds of love and fellowship.

Besides the gracious revival among the brotherhood, there were 76 accessions to the church, 47 of whom were for baptism. While in the midst of all these good things, our people decided, as a befitting memorial to God for such a revival and blessing, to build their pastor a home; so, on next to the last night of the meeting, a collection, amounting to nearly \$1,400 was taken and work will commence at once on a beautiful two story residence for the pastor's home.

Respectfully,
W. B. HOLCOMB.

Meridian, Miss.

Having tendered my resignation to the Executive Committee of the Chickasaw Association as their Missionary and Colporteur, I will, beginning the 1st Sunday in April, give my time to the State at large, preaching mostly to pastorless churches, in school houses and in families as the Lord may see fit to open the way, selling sound Baptist literature, getting subscribers for THE BAPTIST, our State organ and the Western Recorder, organizing Sunday-schools and churches, urging the importance of parents and guardians among our people of sending their sons to Mississippi College and their daughters to Blue Mountain for a finished education, and any other work that I may be able to do for the upbuilding of our beloved Baptist Zion in Mississippi and all over the world. I would kindly ask brethren and sisters to let me know of weak and destitute places where they think I may be able to do good work for the Master. I will go forth in this work with no promised salary, depending on the Lord, the brethren and sisters and kind friends to give me what in their judgment they may deem my services among them are worth. God help you.

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